

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

215 3rd Ave SE, MINOT, ND, 58701

Pastors: Janet Hernes Mathistad & Gerald Roise

Organist: Deacon Kari Files; Intern Pastor: Dave Myers

16th Sunday after Pentecost

September 20, 2020

* Standing, for those who are able

PRELUDE

SPECIAL MUSIC: Brian Michalenko

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

C: Amen

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another

Silence for Reflection

P: Faithful God, **C: have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways. We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves. Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

P: God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims: Your sins are forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God’s work in the world. Amen

GATHERING

* **HYMN:** “Great Is Thy...”

Hymn 733

* **GREETING**

* **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual loving kindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

WORD

FIRST READING: Jonah 3:10-4:11

Psalm 145:1-8

SECOND READING: Philippians 1:21-30

* **GOSPEL: Matthew 20:1-16**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

MORNING MESSAGE: Pastor Gerald

HYMN: “Great God, Your Love...”

Hymn 358 (1-2,4,5)

* **APOSTLES’ CREED**

p. 105

* **PRAYERS**

* **PEACE**

OFFERING MOMENT

Special Music

PRAYER

Blessed are you, **O God, maker of all things. You have set before us these gifts of your good creation. Prepare us for your heavenly banquet, nourish us with this rich food and drink, and send us forth to set tables in the midst of a suffering world, through the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

MEAL

* **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

* **LORD’S PRAYER**

* **BENEDICTION**

P: Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life. Amen

* **DISMISSAL & COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

* **HYMN:** “Thankful Hearts and”

Hymn 205

POSTLUDE

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**Office hours will continue to be 9:00am – 4:00pm
Monday -Friday for September.**

Donations of disinfecting spray and wipes are appreciated. Thank you!



Pastor Appreciation Month!
The BLCW is inviting everyone to send a card to the Pastors in October! Due to Covid-19 we are not having an in-house celebration.

PRAYER CONCERNS: Donna Erickson, Judy Johnson, Vicki Amon, Beth Anderson, Jean Rollman. All Covid 19 Patients, Praying for Peace in our Country, Dietitians, Nutritionists, Butchers, Grocers.

CAUSE OF THE MONTH: Our cause of the month for Sept. is mission support for **Global Health Ministries.**

Starting October 4th!

For the immediate future, the 8:30am service will remain the same, but the 10:30am service will move into the fellowship room and masks will be required!

DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS are available for October, November & December.